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CHAPTER I.

THE LOOKOUT.

Fifty Union soldiers—marchin'—marchin'.

The Queen and civil war had begun. Miss Queen was about 5 ft. 8 in. high, and her queenliness was the first thing that struck me when I first met her at the Mansion House, Washington, D. C., in the spring of 1861. She had come to the capital with her father, Major-General Queen, of the United States army, who had been ordered to the command of the Department of Pennsylvania, with headquarters at Philadelphia. I had been introduced to the General and family by a mutual friend, and was invited to call at their residence, which I did the next evening. I found the General a fine, soldierly looking man of about 60 years of age, and his daughter a beautiful girl of 18 or 19. She was the only child of her mother, who died when she was a baby, and the General had never married again. Miss Queen had been educated at a fashionable school in Philadelphia, and had spent the winter in Washington with her father. She was a bright, vivacious girl, and I found her very entertaining. She had a host of admirers, and I was only one of many who were attracted by her beauty and accomplishments. I called frequently at the General's residence, and was always cordially received by him and his daughter. I was not in love with Miss Queen, and I don't think she was in love with me, but we were very good friends, and I enjoyed her society very much. I was a young lawyer, and had been admitted to the bar only a few months before the breaking out of the war. I had no practice to speak of, and was not making enough money to support myself. I had a small income from my father's estate, and was living on that and economizing as much as possible. I had no thought of enlisting in the army, as I had a widowed mother and a younger brother and sister dependent upon me for support, and I considered that my duty to them was paramount to my duty to my country. I was not a coward, but I was not a fool, and I knew that I could be more useful at home than in the army. I was not a politician, and had no political influence, and I knew that I could not get a commission in the army, and I had no desire to enlist as a private soldier. I was not a military man, and had no military ambition. I was a civilian, and I was content to remain a civilian

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ANNOUNCEMENT

I am authorized to announce Hon. Lewis Emery, Jr., of Smethport, as a candidate for the office of Congressman-at-Large, subject to the rules governing the Congressional Convention.

McKean County Times

E. A. SIMMONS — Associate Editor.

Smethport, Pa., April 11, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—What is the attraction meeting.

—The Fire Company has a grievance.

—Arbitration business were abroad managing the Bible Land Sunday.

—Mrs F. D. Nash is in New York on the interest of her business.

—The foot race to come now, on the ball ground. Will attract a large crowd.

—Ah we to a charm is the air sonorous gasp of the bull frog in the spring.

Tarvin Comm courts are being put in readiness for the lovers of the sport.

—Some very fakey thing gen'al moves will be pulled on this outside of this town.

—We closed by last week the 50th anniversary of the consecration of Appointment.

—Where is or in al is at the F O O F? and will be talk about the love of Mary

—C O Wright of Hamlin, is readjusting to a brief time in the shoes of his childhood.

Mr Edward King of Minn., is visiting his mother Mrs Agnes King of this place.

—The colored glass fronts of the Odd Fellows Hall produce a very attractive effect at night.

W J McLean, Esq., of Kendall Creek, was in during Sunday and has many friends in town on Monday.

—Hen Simmons of the Smethport shoe store is the Minister of Mind, with be quiet fied me at week.

—A runaway truck ran into an engine this time Omnibus last Monday without causing serious damage.

—L. Bowley of Rock Haven is spending a few days in town on H W Dublin's clothing House.

—W. S. Gordon, Esq., of Buffalo was the guest of the Smethport Refining Co as to treasurer whom due on Monday.

F O Chadwick of the *Star* office, is ill abed, but is on a visiting as temporarily in the book department, this week.

—An enjoyable gathering of people was certain about by the Ladies of the W C T U, in Parker Hall Tuesday evening.

—Soon it achieves that attraction of the old spring of little philosophy. But depth of philosophy. Bring them my minds to rest ion."

—Next Wednesday the citizens of the county will have an opportunity of appraising from the ancient points of the Smethport Appraiser.

—We were told to mention that a grand ball and supper will be given at the Crosby Hall, Crosby Pa. on the evening of the 23rd inst.

The thrilling gun I notes morning of 20 eggs in the annunciation belonging to the editor of the Mercer, is evidence of an eggcellent ordinary activity in editorial country offices.

—The born into their own Louisville recently with revenging fury was probably the most disconcerted to human life and property, of any that has ever visited the country.

—A reunion party was given at the residence of Mrs. Henry Hamlin yesterday evening, and all who attended enjoyed themselves hugely. It was the first social event of the season.

—Hamlin have recently been granted assessments of Sheriff as follows to wit: Bullmeadow for a horse shoe, J A McKeever, clerk of court cow to the city of sufficient W. Whitney for a boy.

—The first and claim to be given by the Hall of the W C T U committee on the evening of the 23rd promises to be an enjoyable affair. Dance will be furnished by Prof Miller orchestra of this place.

—The *Saturday Globe* of New York City has an article on "The Road to Success in Pennsylvania." But people who have traveled over the country districts say, the roads are many roads which need assessment.

—The time for the removal of the Smethport Horse Company to their new headquarters on Fulton street has not been decided upon as yet and the date of their reception has not been definitely settled.

—Rev D W Fulkens, pastor of the Baptist Church of this place, was united in marriage with Miss Mary Gentlisher at the residence of her father's parents, in Little Falls, N Y, on Wednesday April 9th, by Rev Mr Richardson.

—The grand F P Dean formerly of this place, but a prominent pharmacist of Buffalo, made a brief visit to Smethport last Monday. We judge by Mr Dean's greetings smiles and hearty shake of the hand that he is prospering.

—Never display contempt for that which you know nothing of. People despise the things in ignorance of them, and are afterward mortified when the light of knowledge reveals their profound stupidity, which led them into error.

—It is not a credit to the press to oppose or criticise any occasion that reflects light or reverence upon the Savior of the world. Inconvenience to the business world is not a sufficient reason why Good Friday should not be observed as a legal holiday.

—The Enhance Company by way of expressing its appreciation of the services rendered by the Smethport Band Company raised $30 to the organization last Saturday. The Brazen did noble work in saving 2,500,000 feet of lumber during the late burning of Gibson's mill.

—In one second of time—in one beat of the pendulum of a clock—light travels two hundred thousand miles. Were a cannon ball shot toward the sun and were it to maintain full speed, it would be twenty years in reaching it—and yet light travels through this space in seven or eight minutes.

—Pastor services were held in the several churches of Smethport last Sunday, and were attended by large congregations of people. The day was an ideal one, and the spirits of the assemblies were in harmony with the promising smiles and advent of spring which is to usher in the beautiful type of the eternal resurrection."

—Lemon and Greenfield, the contestants in the foot race is heralded to take place in Hamlin Park to-morrow at 3 p. m., are both confident of victory. A large number of sporting men from Jamestown, Warren, Olean, Corry, Bradford and other towns will be in Smethport we is lots of money we are told.

—We are in receipt of the prospectus of a work on Greek Archaeology by Greek Mythology, photographed and copyrighted by Miss E. A. Scull. It will be a highly valuable book, and Miss Scull's many friends in this place will probably take advantage of the opportunity to study the text book. Wm. H. Rau, 1231 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, is the publisher.

—The auditors appointed upon Sheriff Flack of New York, and his sureties was not severe enough. Their final report of the case existed would make the sheriffs of Leather tannery with envy, to Baker. The conspiracy against a witness Hutchinson was most unnatural. Flack still claims that he is innocent, and it is our sincere hope that he tells the truth, even if he does suffer for crimes never committed.

—The new Potter House has been completed, papered and supplied with window shades, adding greatly to its internal appearance. The carpets were purchased at A Reilly's furniture store. D C Young supplied the curtains, and the papering is to be done by the firm of Speech & Sasse. The host hope have reason to be proud of it in new headquarters. A room sufficient room in the rear of the building will be occupied by the Borough Council.

—During the past year six hundred and twenty-three commissions of the Department of Pennsylvania have died. They have gone interceptor to the other end of the river and are awaiting the last order of the Great Commander. But a few more years and the entire rank and file of the Grand Army of the Republic will be resting in shade long sleep. The veterans should bear this in mind as they remain, with all that the great country can lavish upon them.

—The altar in St Luke's Church on Sunday was a scene of impressive and inspiring appearance. It was adorned with the richest and rarest flowers that could be selected from the green house of Hon. Henry Hamlin. One could almost imagine that the most fragrant air upon the value of Cashmere or some other oriental Indian had been sacrificed by the zealous F R Wahlstrom. Rev J H Mellvaine officiated delivering one of his most able sermons, and a Baynes Communion Service was rendered by the choir in the morning.

—The Hon J W Guy of Franklin passed through Pittsburgh yesterday en route to his home in Franklin in West Virginia where he has been attending a law suit. The ex Senator has announced himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congressman in 1892 in the Twenty seventh district. The present Congressman J D Watson ex Senator Fowler Emery and W Smith's friends already announced in the town in the same district but Mr Guy does not anticipate much trouble in going to Washington. He says he is certain to succeed Mr Watson on account of his popularity.—Pittsburgh *Times*.

—The Jewish Festival of Peach Passover began on the evening. Passover commemorates the deliverance of the Jews from bondage in Egypt. The annual sessions of the Family gathering and a feast to call to mind the hard-ships of Egyptian bondage was observed and all Jewish families last evening which live up to the demands of the religion. Passover is distinguished by the eating of unleavened cake all leavened bread being prohibited during the continuance of Jews which lasts eight days. The first and last days are known as high days.—Olean Times.

—Both the Czar of Russia and Emperor of Germany have narrowly escaped assassination recently. The Nihilists in the latter by enjoyment sent his official formula to the Czar of the czars's head-quarters and the latter sent out his official formula to the Nihilists in the form of a bullet. The czar's life is in constant expectation of violent death, to be the object of which of his enemy by those who civilized world, in fact, to live in a person condition—that is what it is peaceable to be a czar, says the Philadelphia *Inquirer*.

—Were you the necessity of paying the following from Hall's Hotel *Bradford Era*:

New Wood who held the interest of the M E church in Fort Allegany seems to have started in to be a bad man at this time. Before he left he was called upon to settle a board bill of five dollars and a half. He refused after some resulting in his suspension from the church. He left a wife in Philipsburg N J and married a woman in Bradford taking her to Port Allegany. His spouse followed her to Port Allegany with her wife in New Jersey and he wrote her that he was getting clear from her. He is said and would send for her soon. He only he had squandered $4,000 of her money in the way of company affairs. ments for getting another like sum and when she discovered his bluff started the reception for her. Mrs Wood is a lovely lady and one who will attract attention wherever she is seen. She has a relative of Wellsville College. Great sympathy is manifested for her and it is hoped that her husband will be punished for his crime." The murderer Mrs Wood must be two red men to go on Wonder bond as his are at and he is now in durance vile.

G A R.

At the meeting of Mehaffey Post 547 held April 3rd the following named comrades were appointed as a general committee to prepare for Memorial Day exercises:

S Rogers Chairman
J M Mehaffey
W M Cheat
W S Grandbois
H E Simmons

Sub-committees will be named hereafter.

H C Mosier

We notice that many of our contemporaries are giving publicity to the statement that the Supreme Court has granted a rule to show cause why a new trial should not be granted to Henry C Mosier lately convicted and sentenced for adultery in the Court of Quarter Sessions of this county. This is a mistake, the Supreme Court does not grant new trials in fact the defendant appealed from the judgement of this court and is out of jail on bail fixed by the supreme Court pending the review of the case in the higher court. If the judgment is reversed it will be for the lower court to say whether or not he shall be tried again.

Behind The Bars.

Reuben Curtis of Palmers' Valley, has been locked up in the city jail charged with stealing a watch from Mrs. Mary Hall, of that place. He was arrested near the state line last Monday. A special from Bolivar to last Monday's *Express* says:

A slick stranger tried to get a $25 check cashed at H D Barber's store in town this afternoon. Blaming gentleman made Barber suspicious and on production of young or to get the check, and the went to the city hall office and called up Detective Bedford. Constable Porterville, who came in a month ago check for a stranger a day or two ago. Bedford's description of him tallied exactly and while Barber was looking up the constable the gent left out on the L. A. & W. train for Portville.

Barber notified the Portville constable to arrest him, but when the train arrived there he was learned that he had stepped off at White House and started on foot for Mallard Each went the constable and overtook him near State Line and escorted him to Portville where he identified positively identified him.

He is the same fellow who done up Olean parties for various sums. He gave his name as J. H. Lyle. The checks he used were those of the Emery O. I. Co., of Bradford.

A touching and interesting history of St. Luke's Church embodying its important developments in this place from the year 1842 to 1890, was read in the St. Luke's Church on Sunday evening by Mrs. M. E. Ford the estimable wife of P. Ford, Esq., to some friends a few months ago. The history which completed in the fruit of years of pleasant labor, was highly appreciated by her friends and unbeknown to Mrs. Ford, it was lately put in the book department of this office for publication. The work which reveals the phenomenal growth of the Church and contains a record of communicants, worship school attendance, baptisms, confirmations, marriages, births, deaths, celebrations of clergymen, etc. will prove of inestimable value to this parish, and the untiring devotion of the churchmen to her work will be remembered with gratitude by her sons of friends.

The Annuals commences with the infancy of the Church in this place, the establishment of which was attended with a little work to embryo. The work met with many difficulties but the rectors were all faithful and assisted by patient and faithful congregations struggled on to success and growing state which it has in the Church today. The Annuals are of extraordinary pleasant style and many passages are to elicit of good use of the English language while here and there one finds a spiritual struggling with the quietness and eternal rest of the whole which throws a soft light of charity over the poem.

We are indebted to Rev J H McLaudlen for his kindly remarks from the sanctuary last Sunday night, expressing the interest in the printing of the Annuals in the hope of interested friends. The book can be purchased from Mr J R Shoemaker or at McCoy's drug store. Any profit from the publication will go to the young peoples societies of the Church.

AROUND THE COUNTY

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

LEAGUEVILLE

The floor to fill is rushing. Water breaks.

All the coal banks are now paying in large quantities deposits.

Roches on has sold a crown broking for others to his sons in houses.

Mr Richard is dead of the funeral of an old settler was on on Sunday last.

The four year old son of John Cunningham fell off the porch Saturday and broke his arm.

A P Bonnell Jr was home from the Pittsburgh N Y school to spend the Easter holidays.

Mrs. the county sentiment seems to the boards at the opera house during the entire week.

The railroad switchmen have been having their turnouts of late, mostly in the way of coal hearts.

The various churches had elaborate programmes appropriate to Easter services on Sunday.

C E Page a thriving student of Lewis preached in the Baptist Church on Sunday.

Mrs. Orrin Cannon is quite commenced on Wednesday last week in one of the rooms of her mother.

Work on the Bonnell mill is actively progressing and the planing machinery is being put in place.

Mr. Bonnell is building a fine residence on Main street.

An Erie switchman named Black had the third and little fingers of his right hand severed between the bumpers Monday afternoon.

The pet cow of is slowly but surely getting down but business of all kinds continues good in the thriving city.

Pursuant to the amount of $4,500 will be distributed at the spring meetings of the Bradford Derrick Pipe and Four Mutual Fire Insurance Co. June 21 2 p. m. and 3.

W. F. Lee has succeeded A. H. Bennett as agent of the P. R. R. at Bradford. Mr. Bennett will go to Omaha where he will find a home with the latter's brother.

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FAMOUS, THOUGH BLIND.

THE SIGHTLESS FEW WHO HAVE TRIUMPHED OVER MISFORTUNE.

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I intend to give a brief account of the lives and achievements of the blind men and women of all ages and countries who have risen above their misfortune and made themselves famous in the world. I feel at first somewhat loth to undertake this task, for the reason that I am afraid I may not be able to do justice to the subject, and I should be sorry indeed to cause pain to the sightless by any failure on my part to present their claims to the consideration of the seeing. But I have undertaken the task, and I will do my best to perform it.

MILTON DICTATING TO HIS DAUGHTER.

The number of the blind who have risen above their misfortune is very large, and I shall be able to mention only a few of the most prominent. Many of the blind have become famous in literature, others in music, others in the arts, others in the sciences, others in the professions, others in the trades, others in statesmanship, others in the army and navy, others in the church, others in the home, others in the school, others in the workshop, others in the factory, others in the field, others in the mine, others in the forest, others on the sea, others on the land, others in the air, others in the water, others in the fire, others in the earth, others in the sky, others in the clouds, others in the mist, others in the fog, others in the rain, others in the snow, others in the hail, others in the sleet, others in the storm, others in the wind, others in the calm, others in the heat, others in the cold, others in the light, others in the darkness, others in the day, others in the night, others in the morning, others in the afternoon, others in the evening, others in the twilight, others in the dawn, others in the sunshine, others in the moonlight, others in the starlight, others in the sunset, others in the sunrise, others in the rainbow, others in the aurora borealis, others in the aurora australis, others in the zodiacal light, others in the comets, others in the meteors, others in the shooting stars, others in the fixed stars, others in the planets, others in the satellites, others in the asteroids, others in the nebulæ, others in the star clusters, others in the double stars, others in the variable stars, others in the temporary stars, others in the new stars, others in the lost stars, others in the found stars, others in the missing stars, others in the constellations, others in the signs of the zodiac, others in the solar system, others in the universe, others in the infinite, others in the eternal, others in the absolute, others in the relative, others in the positive, others in the negative, others in the past, others in the present, others in the future, others in the world, others in the flesh, others in the spirit, others in the mind, others in the body, others in the soul, others in the heart, others in the head, others in the face, others in the eyes, others in the ears, others in the nose, others in the mouth, others in the hair, others in the beard, others in the whiskers, others in the mustache, others in the lips, others in the teeth, others in the tongue, others in the throat, others in the neck, others in the shoulders, others in the arms, others in the hands, others in the fingers, others in the thumbs, others in the nails, others in the chest, others in the breast, others in the stomach, others in the back, others in the sides, others in the legs, others in the feet, others in the toes, others in the ankles, others in the knees, others in the thighs, others in the hips, others in the loins, others in the abdomen, others in the bowels, others in the liver, others in the kidneys, others in the lungs, others in the blood, others in the flesh, others in the bones, others in the muscles, others in the nerves, others in the skin, others in the hair, others in the nails